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21. A pharmaceutical composition containing one or more anti-EPO antibodies as claimed in claim 17.

22. A method for purifying EPO, EPO derivatives or EPO peptides by using one or more anti-EPO antibodies as claimed in claim 17.

23. An anti-EPO antibody as claimed in claim 5, which is directed against epitopes which bind to the EPO receptor.--

REMARKS

Claims 5, 6, 7, 12, 14 and 15 have been amended. Claims 17-23 have been newly added. Claim 1 has been canceled.

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